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IN RE APPLICATION OF :  
SHUGO NISHI, ET AL. : EXAMINER: LE, HOA T.  
SERIAL NO: 10/567,082 : GROUP ART UNIT: 1794  
FILED: JULY 6, 2006 : ALLOWED: SEPTEMBER 24, 2008  
FOR: HIGHLY OIL ABSORBING :  
AMORPHOUS SILICA PARTICLES

AMENDMENT AFTER ALLOWANCE UNDER 37 CFR 1.312

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

In response to the Notice of Allowance dated September 24, 2008, please amend the application identified above as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.